HB 453 -- Prevailing Wages on Public Works Projects

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This bill changes the laws regarding prevailing wages on public works projects. In its main provisions, the bill:

- (1) Revises the definition of "construction" as it relates to the provisions regarding prevailing wages on public works projects to include new construction, enlargement, or major alteration. Currently, it includes construction, reconstruction, improvement, enlargement, alteration, painting and decorating, or major repair;
- (2) Revises the definition of "maintenance work" by removing the exclusion of the replacement of an existing facility and including the restoration of the material condition or operation or the painting or repainting of an existing facility; and
- (3) Defines "major alteration" as an alteration or structural change to an existing public facility in which the total overall project exceeds 400 square feet and is not performed by employees of a public body. Major alteration also includes renovation projects associated with road and bridge construction.